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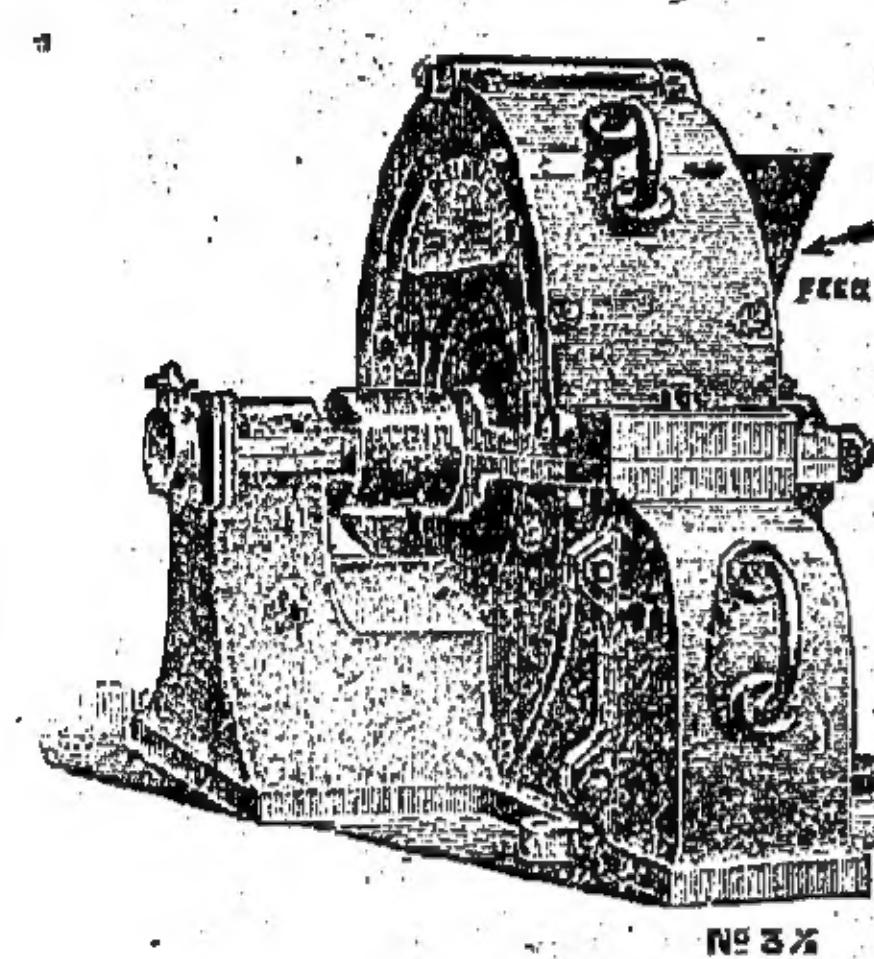
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Hongkong, April 12, 1900. 833

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICER will be CLOSED for the Transact of Public Business MONDAY, the 10th Instant, (EASTER MONDAY).

Hongkong, April 9, 1900.

JARDINE, MATHESON, Co.,

General Agents

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W. J. S. UNDERS, Secretary

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822 BANK HOLIDAY.

IN Accordance with the provision of Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Upper-mentioned BANKS will be CLOSED on the Transaction of Public Business EASTER MONDAY, the 10th Inst. respectively.

For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, D. W. GILMOUR, P. Manager, Hongkong

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, H. M. BEVIS, Acting Manager

For the National Bank of China, Ltd. GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager

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April 19th, 20th and 21st.

Booking Office will be open until 10 a.m. on TUESDAY, April 17th, at the CECIL HALL.
Hongkong, April 10, 1900. 813

SINGING.

MR. ALEC MARSH
(Late Principal Banian of the Royal Canoe-Rosa Opera Co., The Royal Italian Opera, Covent Garden; Royal Choral Society, and the Principal London and Provincial Concerts).
Pupil of Sir Edward Rimbauer.
Begs to announce that he is now prepared to give

LESSONS IN SINGING

and
VOICE PRODUCTION

to a limited number of pupils.

Terms on Application.

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Hongkong, April 10, 1900. 827

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on THURSDAY,

the 10th April, 1900, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Room, Duddell Street,

A QUANTITY OF LADIES' & GENTS' GOLD WATCHES
(in 15-carat Gold Cases)

and
A SMALL LOT OF AMERICAN GOLD-PLATED WATCHES.
On view from Wednesday, the 1st April.

TERMS:—As Customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, April 12, 1900. 856



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 36.

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By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Acting Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 31st March, 1900. 851

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Wednesday, the 8th day of April, 1900, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Mong-Kok-Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measures.	Area in Acres.	Annual Rent.	Open Price.
1	Mong-Kok-Tsui	It. L. R. It. R.	100	3,650-33	1,000

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Chome, Kobe, Japan.
Hongkong, January 9, 1899. 98

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THE 'CHEONG FAT' FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong, whereby the liability of each Shareholder is limited to the amount of his SHARES.

CAPITAL \$100,000.

In 4,000 fully paid up SHARES of \$25 each, of which 1,600 SHARES will be offered for subscription.

TERMS FOR SUBSCRIPTION:—

\$5 od Application.

\$10 od Allotment.

balance at call in instalments, one month's notice to be given in respect of each instalment called up.

Applications for shares accompanied by a deposit of \$5 per share must be sent to the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, Ltd., on or before 18th of April, 19, 1900.

For forms of application, apply to the General Manager.

Board of Directors:

Mr. Leo Kwoh-ting of Kwong Wing Sung Street.

Mr. Chan Kai-ming, of Optima firm.

Mr. Sun-chun, of Optima firm.

Mr. Tse-hong, of Chai On Insurance Co., Ltd.

Mr. Chan He-wan, of Chai On Insurance Co., Ltd.

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Yung Chow Pong, of Deutscher Asiatische Bode.

Mr. To Ying-ting, of Laus, Wegener & Co., J. T. Laus, of Laus, Wegener & Co.

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The Company has been formed for the purpose of carrying passengers between Hongkong and Yau-mee and such other places as may from time to time appear to promote satisfactory results and assist in meeting the demands of the growing passenger traffic from and to Hongkong and on the West and East Rivers of Canton.

Arrangements have been made to commence business at once with a Ferry Service between Yau-mee and Hongkong.

Dated the 4th day of April, 1900. 717

THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LIMITED.

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proved by this meeting, and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby approved, and that the same be, and the same are, hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company to the exclusion of all the existing Regulations there-

of.

A copy of the proposed New Regulations may be seen at the Company's Office, and can be obtained by application to the Undersigned.

Dated Hongkong, the 2nd day of April, 1900.

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NOTICE is hereby given that a MEETING of the Board of Directors of the above Company, held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of March, 1900, the following resolutions were passed:—

1. That in pursuance of the provisions of the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th and confirmed on the 27th March, and since duly registered, the sum of \$1,250,000 be withdrawn from the Reserve Fund, and be carried as of the 2nd July next, to the Credit of Capital Account, each share being credited with a sum of \$25 as paid up thereon in addition to the sum of \$50 now standing to the credit of each share.

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TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS SERVICE.

LONDON, 11th April, 1900.

THE WAR.

Colonel Plumer was slightly wounded on the 31st March at the engagement near Ramanathabana.

General Brabrant with the bulk of his brigade is at Alivali North.

Troops have been ordered from Durban to the Cape.

LETTER.

THE WAR.—COMMANDS.

General Gaitero returns to England and General Palo-Carvo has been appointed to the command of the 11th division.

THE FIGHTING AT WEPENER.

Fighting continues at Wepener; the garrison is holding out bravely and troops are rapidly advancing to their assistance.

NATAL.

Reuter's correspondent at Ladymith, 10th inst., says that the Boers have opened fire on and are shelling the Camp at Blouaagte from three positions. No damage to the troops has resulted. A British reconnaissance found the enemy in strong force and strongly fortified.

THE BOER PRISONERS.

Owing to the unfavourable conditions at Simons Bay the authorities intend to ship all the Boer prisoners to St. Helena.

ARRIVAL OF THE 'POWERFUL' AT PORTSMOUTH.

The *Powerful* has arrived at Portsmouth and met with a magnificent reception.

THE U. S. NAVY IN CHINA.

The U. S. S. *Bennington* has been ordered to China.

LONDON, 12th April.

THE WAR.—COMMANDS.

General orders state that General Charnsido replaces General Gaitero who has been ordered to England; it is believed owing to the Roddesburg affair. General Hunter commands the Brigade going from Durban to join Lord Roberts.

THE GARRISON OF WEPENER.

The Garrison of Wepener consists only of 500 men and seven guns.

FRANCE AND THE WAR.

M. Delclos in the Chamber refused to discuss the passage of British troops to Rhodesia in Beira, as France was not concerned in the question.

THE UNREST IN CAPE COLONY.

In view of the unrest in Cape Colony, Lord Roberts has issued a proclamation, warning the inhabitants in the North of the Colony against further hostility, and stating that no leniency will be shown in future and martial law will be enforced with the utmost severity.

LATER.

THE BOER REPUBLICS AND PORTUGAL.

The Boer republics have formally notified Portugal that they consider her permission for the passage of British troops via Beira as tantamount to a hostile action.

THE WAR.

General Kitchener has arrived at Alivali and has brought a sympathetic message to Wepener where the Boer attack seems to be slackening.

THE ASHANTI TROUBLE.

News from Ashanti continues serious. Private letters from the interior state that five British officers and forty-Hussar troops have been killed.

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An advertisement appears in the *Penang* paper calling upon those who wish to become honorary members of the Penang Volunteer Corps to send in their names to Mr. Lawyer Adams, the Acting Commandant. Now, what is the name of all that is sensible, is an honorary member of a volunteer corps? Men like the Prince of Wales and other notables are sometimes asked to accept the Honorary Colours of volunteer organizations, but a public call for honorary members is quite a new idea. What an idea to do? Do they wear the Corps uniform? shoot? drill? march out? and can they be returned as inefficient? Can women join as honorary? 2d, if not, why not? All these several points require clearing up, meanwhile the Firm note that His Honour Sir Alexander Swettenham, K.C.M.G., has come doubly an honorary by taking advantage of this weird proclamation.

Widespread pleasure is felt at the announcement that Her Majesty has conferred the Companionship of the Bath upon Captains Percy Scott and the Hon. H. G. Lamont. The captains of Her Majesty's ships *Terrible* and *Powerful* have done splendid service to their country in connection with the defence of Ladymith and the campaign on the Tugela. It was Captain Scott who designed the carriage by which the naval guns could be transported ashore and from which they could be fired, and it was Captain Lamont who commanded the naval contingent which took two of them to Ladymith, and fought them there. The art of those guns took in the defence of Ladymith, where the British field pieces were markedly inferior in range and in weight of metal to the Boer guns, is now famous; indeed, it is not too much to say that but for the services of Captain Scott and Lamont the garrison could hardly have held out as long as it did.—L. & C. *Express*.

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An advertisement appears in the *Penang* paper calling upon those who wish to become honorary members of the Penang Volunteer Corps to send in their names to Mr. Lawyer Adams, the Acting Commandant. Now, what is the name of all that is sensible, is an honorary member of a volunteer corps? Men like the Prince of Wales and other notables are sometimes asked to accept the Honorary Colours of volunteer organizations, but a public call for honorary members is quite a new idea. What an idea to do? Do they wear the Corps uniform? shoot? drill? march out? and can they be returned as inefficient? Can women join as honorary? 2d, if not, why not? All these several points require clearing up, meanwhile the Firm note that His Honour Sir Alexander Swettenham, K.C.M.G., has come doubly an honorary by taking advantage of this weird proclamation.

Widespread pleasure is felt at the announcement that Her Majesty has conferred the Companionship of the Bath upon Captains Percy Scott and the Hon. H. G. Lamont. The captains of Her Majesty's ships *Terrible* and *Powerful* have done splendid service to their country in connection with the defence of Ladymith and the campaign on the Tugela. It was Captain Scott who designed the carriage by which the naval guns could be transported ashore and from which they could be fired, and it was Captain Lamont who commanded the naval contingent which took two of them to Ladymith, and fought them there. The art of those guns took in the defence of Ladymith, where the British field pieces were markedly inferior in range and in weight of metal to the Boer guns, is now famous; indeed, it is not too much to say that but for the services of Captain Scott and Lamont the garrison could hardly have held out as long as it did.—L. & C. *Express*.

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The Chinese address to the Honourable Thomas reminds us very forcibly of the man who deliberately contracted small-pox in order that he might give it to a friend who, in turn, would give it to another chappie, who was the party the first man wanted to get at. While praising Mr. Whitehead, the frames of the address lose no opportunity of having a sly hit, practically at all the other members of the Legislative Council, official or unofficial, not excepting, of course, the two Chinese representatives. The plea for increased Chinese representation is, in the opinion of the Firm, one not to be unfeigned. For a British Colony, we are already far too easily disposed to propagate Chinese modes and methods of doing things and, instead of forcing our civilization upon them, tuck into their superstitions and absurdities. High and low are alike in danger of forgetting that Hongkong is a British Colony, maintained for Imperial purposes and that the fact of being a huge mercantile centre is, more or less, a matter of accident, and one which the British Government tries, as often as it can, to ignore. This is a matter which cannot be too often, or too forcibly impressed upon the minds of the investing public.

Twenty-five hours of sunshine during March, reads like a record of London weather during the same month, when sunshine is at a huge premium, and not like a sober statement concerning the weather in Hongkong. Are the Observatory authorities certain that they did not miss an hour or so? We have no midnight sun here, so that there is no necessity to deprive our local astronomers of their legal rest to watch its progress. The fault is in having the Observatory in Kowloon. How can Hongkong weather be observed over there? We shall have to get up a "syndicate," or something, for the provision of more sun-shine on the Peninsula.

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